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Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Mr. Kampouris:

This is in response to your request dated August 1, 2019, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, to the Department of State, in which you requested all records related to the 1953 disappearance and murder of Eugene H. Lindsay, Richard E. Lindsay and Frederick Claar.

The Office of Information Programs and Services (IPS) received your FOIA request on August 12, 2019, and assigned it the tracking number at the top of this letter. Please include the tracking number in all future communications concerning this FOIA request.

Please be advised that the records you seek are no longer in the possession of the Department of State. The majority of Department of State records (excluding passport and visa records) that are 25 years or older and considered to be permanent are transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) in accordance with Title 22, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 171.6. If you have not already done so, you may wish to submit a request to NARA at following address:

Special Access/FOIA  
National Archives at College Park  
8601 Adelphi Road, Room 5500  
College Park, MD 20740-6001

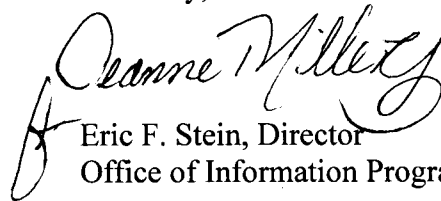
For further assistance or to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact our FOIA Requester Service Center or our FOIA Public Liaison via email at [FOIAstatus@state.gov](mailto:FOIAstatus@state.gov) or telephone at (202) 261-8484. For further assistance or to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact our FOIA Requester Service Center or our FOIA Public Liaison via email to [FOIAstatus@state.gov](mailto:FOIAstatus@state.gov) or by telephone at (202) 261-8484.

If you are not satisfied with the Department's determination in response to your request, you may administratively appeal by writing to: Appeals Officer, Appeals Review Panel, Office of Information Programs and Services (IPS), U.S. Department of State, State Annex 2 (SA-2), 515 22nd Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20522-8100, or faxed to (202) 261-8571. Appeals must be postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this initial agency decision letter. Please

include a copy of this letter with your written appeal and clearly state why you disagree with the determinations set forth in this response.

Additionally, if you are not satisfied with the Department's determination in response to your request, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to inquire about the FOIA Mediation Services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, email address: [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone: (202) 741-5770; toll free number: 1-877-684-6448; facsimile: (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric F. Stein", is written over the printed name and title.

Eric F. Stein, Director  
Office of Information Programs and Services